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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2006 and the Advisory Action dated May 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.